



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : PATENT  
Ian Trevor Dampney et al. : Confirmation No. 6516  
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For: ACTUATING AND LOCKING : Art Unit: 3731  
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Sir:

In response to the September 16, 2005 Notice of Allowability, Applicants hereby submit five replacement drawing sheets of Figures 1-6, 7a, 7b, 8 and 9 for the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

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